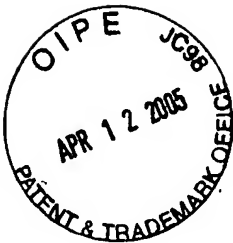




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Applicant(s): Takeshi Funahashi					
Invention: FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM, FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION APPARATUS, FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION METHOD, AND BIOMETERIC IDENTIFICATION APPARATUS					
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the non-final Office Action dated January 12, 2005 (Paper No./Mail Date 01052005), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures are attached following page 14 of this paper.